

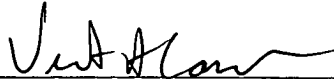


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>1791.003</b>	
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Invention: <b>SAFETY SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR BOSUN'S CHAIR</b>					
					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27					
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**RESPONSE OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on April 22, 2004, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. The three-month period for response expires on July 22, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.